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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

Introduced by: Richardson, Friend

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring Representative
Ralph Foley.

Whereas, Representative Ralph Foley, who was first elected to represent the citizens of House District 47 in 1992, will be leaving the House chamber for the last time at the end of the 2012 legislative session;

Whereas, Representative Foley has been instrumental in the enactment of numerous pieces of legislation especially focused on criminal justice reform and probate issues, including rewriting the death penalty in 1995 and producing legislation to ensure saying "I'm sorry" after an accident is not an admission of liability;

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Whereas, Representative Foley has received several awards throughout the years, including two Presidential Citations from the Indiana State Bar Association, a Mayor's Award from the city of Martinsville, the Indiana Chamber of Commerce Champion of Small Business Award, and the Indiana Judges Association Gavel Award;

Whereas, Representative Foley has also been recognized as an Advocate for Rural Health, been inducted into the Martinsville High School Hall of Fame, and named the Martinsville Kiwanis Citizen of the Year;

Whereas, Representative Foley received his undergraduate and law degrees from Indiana University and has been practicing law since 1965 as a partner in Foley, Foley and Peden;

Whereas, Active in the legal community, Representative Foley has been President of the Morgan County Bar Association, Treasurer and a member of the Board of Governors for the Indiana State Bar Association, Counsel to the President of the Indiana State Bar Association, a Fellow and Master Fellow for the Indiana Bar Foundation, as well as a member of the Indiana Bar Foundation's Board of Directors;

Whereas, Representative Foley has served on the Probate, Trust and Real Estate Council and has served as a faculty member for the Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum for Business;

Whereas, Active in his community, Representative Foley is a Life Alumnus of Indiana University, a member of the Indiana Farm Bureau, a member of the Martinsville Chamber of Commerce, a trustee of the First United Methodist Church of Martinsville, and a director on the Board of Directors for the church's retirement facility in Franklin;

Whereas, Interested in the education of young Hoosiers, Representative Foley was co-president of the East Middle School PTO and co-chair of Martinsville P.R.I.D.E.;

Whereas, Before being elected to the House of



Representatives, Representative Foley was chair of the Morgan County Election Board, Vice Precinct Committeeman, Morgan County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, and a delegate to the state convention; and

Whereas, Representative Ralph Foley has served his constituency loyally and faithfully since his election to the Indiana General Assembly: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives bids a
- 2 fond farewell to Representative Ralph Foley. The House of
- 3 Representatives has seen only good things during his tenure.
- 4 Legislators and staff alike will miss him greatly. His departure will
- 5 leave a void that will never be truly filled.
- 6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 7 Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Representative
- 8 Ralph Foley and his family.

